### IN THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANNIA

EDUARDO ROSARIO

Plaintiff

Civil Action No. 19-cv-2222

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ALEX TORRES PRODUCTIONS, INC.

Defendant

#### ANSWERS TO COMPLAINT CIVIL CASE

The Defendant, Alex Torres Productions, Inc ("Torres") in answering the allegations of the Complaint on file herein, affirms, denies and alleges as follows:

- 1. Agreed
- 2. Agreed
- 3. Agreed
- 4. Agreed

#### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 5. Agreed
- 6. Agreed
- 7. Agreed
- 8. Agreed
- Denied. Defendant, Red Wine, did not hired Defendant, Torres, to promote the comedy show.
   Defendant, Red Wine, provided it facilities to be used at no cost.
- 10. Agreed and in part denied Red Wine, failed to communicate in advanced the fact that the location where the comedy show was to be held did not comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

- 11 Agreed and in part denied. Plaintiff purchased a ticket to the comedy show, but did not confirm directly with Defendant, Torres, if Red Wine Restaurant was accessible to persons with a wheelchair.
- 11. Agreed and in part denied. As owner of the location, Red Wine, controls and manages the facilities.
- 12. Agreed
- 13. Agreed
- 14. Neither admitted or denied because I do not have enough information to know the truth of the matter
- 15. Agreed
- 16. Agreed
- 17. Agreed and in part denied. It is the responsibility of Defendant, Red Wine, to comply with ADA's minimum accessibility requirements for commercial facilities. Defendant, Torres does not own, rent or operate the Red Wine Restaurant.
- 18. Agreed and in part denied. It is the responsibility of Defendant, Red Wine, to comply with ADA's minimum accessibility requirements for commercial facilities
- 19. Agreed
- 20. Agreed
- 21. Agreed and in part denied. It is the responsibility of Defendant, Red Wine, to comply with ADA's minimum accessibility requirements for commercial facilities
- 22. Agreed
- 23. Agreed and in part denied. It is the responsibility of Defendant, Red Wine, to comply with ADA's minimum accessibility requirements for commercial facilities
- 24. Agreed
- 25. Neither admitted or denied because I do not have enough information to know the truth of the matter
- 26. Neither admitted or denied because I do not have enough information to know the truth of the matter
- 27. Neither admitted or denied because I do not have enough information to know the truth of the matter

- 29. Agreed
- 30. Agreed and in part denied. The Red Wine, is responsible to comply with ADA's laws and regulations as well as those of The Pennsylvania Human Relations Act and applicable provisions.
- 31. Agreed

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

#### VIOLATION OF THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT.

- 32. Defendant, Torres, does not know or have enough information to form a belief as to whether the allegations are true
- 33. Agreed
- 34. Agreed
- 35. Agreed
- 36. Agreed
- 37. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Red Wine, is responsible for removing architectural barriers and/or alter its facilities in order to make the readily accessible to people with disabilities.
- 38. Denied. Defendant, Torres, was responsible for selling tickets and presenting the comedy show.

#### **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

#### VIOLATION OF THE PENSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS ACT. 43P.S. 951-963

- 39. Defendant, Torres, does not know or have enough information to form a belief as to whether the allegations are true
  - 40. Agreed

- 41. Agreed
- 42. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, does not own, rent or operate the Red Wine Restaurant.
- 43. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, does not own, rent or operate the Red Wine Restaurant.
- 44. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, does not own, rent or operate the Red Wine Restaurant.
- 45. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, does not own, rent or operate the Red Wine Restaurant.
- 46. Agreed
- 47. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, is not the owner of the Red Wine.
- 48. Defendant, Torres, does not know or have enough information to form a belief as to whether the allegations are true
- 49. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, is not the landlord or owner of the Red Wine.
- 50. Agreed
- 51. Agreed
- 52. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, does not own, rent or operate the Red Wine Restaurant.
- 53. Defendant, Torres, does not know or have enough information to form a belief as to whether the allegations are true.
  - 54. Defendant, Torres, does not know or have enough information to form a belief as to whether the allegations are true.
  - 55. Agreed and in part denied. Defendant, Torres, does not own or operate the Red Wine.

#### **DEFENSE**

Defendant, Torres had never been or visited the Red Wine before February 10, 2019. Torres was under the impression that the Red Wine was compliant ADA's laws and regulations. Red Wine failed to notified Defendant, Torres that the location was not wheelchair accessible.

Defendant, Torres found out that the Red Wine was not wheelchair accessible when he arrived at

the Red Wine 90 minutes before show time. Defendant, Torres is not responsible for making

structural changes to the Red Wine because he is not the owner, landlord or operates the Red Wine.

At no time did Defendant, Torres acted with malice. He tried to resolve the situation after the Red

Wine refused to help and offer a solution. Defendant, Torres refunded the Plaintiff's ticket money in

cash, apologized and offered the only solution available at the time which was to carry the Plaintiff

downstairs.

Defendant, Torres has two brothers that are handicap and a Bachelors Degree in Special Education

and would not discriminate intentionally toward a handicap person.

Defendant, Torres homestead and primary market of business is in the state of Florida. This was the

first and only time Torres has presented a show in Philadelphia.

Defendant, Torres respectfully request that he be dismiss as part of this civil complaint.

RESPECTFULLY,

ALEX TORRES ALEX TORRES PRODUCTIONS, INC.

651 Weybridge Court Lake Mary, Florida 32746 Defendant

Dated: August 30,

2019

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#### **VERIFICATION**

Personally appeared before me the undersigned who on oath states that the facts set forth in this Complaint

are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.	
	Defendant

		Defendant
Sworn and subscribed before me		
This day of	, 20	
Notary Public, Sate of Florida	-	
My commission Expires		

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing ANSWER upon counsel for all parties by depositing a copy of the same in the mail in an envelope thereon address as follows:

Steven C. Feinstein Optimum Law Group 242 Terrace Blvd. Suite D1 Voorhees, NJ 08043

This 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019

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Defendant

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